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Х	US 2002/0192231 (Zhu et al.) 19 December 2002 (19	.12.2002)	, Sections 0003, 0009, 0073	19, 21
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1. Statement			
Novelty (N)	Claims	1-18, 20	YES
	Claims	19 and 21	NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims	NONE	YES
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Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-21	YES
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V. 2. Citations and Explanations: Claims 19 and 21 do not meet the criteria of novelty under PCT Article 33(2) as being anticipated by Zhu et al. (US 20020192231).
Zhu et al. teach using an antibody specific for N-glycolylneuraminic acid (Neu5Gc) (See Section 0003; 0065, claim 24). Furthermore, Zhu et al. also teach that the Neu5Gc is associated with various types of pathological conditions, including breast cancer, lymphoma, gastric cancer, lung cancer, leukemia and hepatitis and syphilis (See Section 0007). Thus, measuring the level of Neu5Gc from the biological sample, such as serum, is indicative of the presence of those diseases.
Claims 1 does not meet an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3) as being obvious over Valle et al. (US 5045532).
Valle et al. disclose that both Neu5Gc and Neu5Ac frequently exist in the biological tissues. Valle et al. reveal that both are common mixtures, and Valle et al. imply that significant purity of each component in the carbohydrate metabolism by pointing out its pure percentage (See Col. 1, line 43-50; also see the graphs in both Col. 1 and 2). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have determined the purity of the Neu5Gc by measuring the amount of NeuAc and Neu5Gc and transform the data into the recited formula as representative of the pure Neu5Gc because the mixture of both Neu5Gc and NeuAc is known and using mathematical expression of the purity involves merely routine skill in the art.
Claim 11 does not satisfy an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3) as being obvious over Zhu et al
Zhu et al. reference has been discussed. Zhu et al. disclose method of purification of antibodies against Neu5Gc (See Example 3; Section 0067-0071). Zhu et al. teach using affinity column for further purification. Supra. Although Zhu et al. do not explicitly teach immobilizing a sialic acid side chain on the column, it would have been an obvious modification to one ordinary skilled in the art to do so since the ligand (Neu5Gc) has been recognized and characterized, the using this ligand as the capturing agent in the affinity column for the target, i.e. Neu5Gc antibody in our case, would be within routine practice in the art.
Claims 2-12 lack an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3) as being obvious over Valle et al. in view of Zhu et al
Valle et al. reference has been discussed, although Valle et al. disclose that Neu5Gc involving neurological abnormalities, nevertheless Valle et al. are silent in teaching measuring Neu5Gc in the food or in the clinical samples. Zhu et al. teach measuring Neu5Gc from patient's serum for indication of Neu5Gc related diseases (See Example 0060; 0072). Zhu et al. also reveal that daily food is a source of the Neu5Gc (See Section 0009). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one ordinary skill in the art at the time

the invention was made to have provided the method of measuring the purity of Neu5Gc as disclosed by Valle et al. to apply to the measurement of the biological samples as taught by Zhu et al. because it is known that Neu5Gc plays an important in the pathogenesis

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of various diseases, and measuring the levels of the patient's Neu5Gc compared to the healthy ones involves routine skill in the art.

Claims 13 and 20 lack an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3) as being obvious over Valle et al. in view of Zhu et al., and further in view of Davis et al. (US 5059680).

Both Valle and Zhu et al. references have been discussed but are silent in teaching use of periodate. Davis et al. teach using periodate to increase efficiency of purifying antibodies against Neu5Gc (See col. 8, line 50-60). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have provided Valle and Zhu et al. with the periodate agent as taught by Davis et al. to increase the purification efficiency since such technique is well-known in the art.

Claims 14-18 lack an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3) as being obvious over Valle et al. in view of Zhu et al., and further in view of Kawamura et al. (EP 0316818).

Both Valle and Zhu et al. references have been discussed but are silent in teaching use of an antibody specific against Neu5Ac. Kawamura et al. teach use of an antibody specific for Neu5Ac. Therefore, it would have been obvious to one ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have provided Valle and Zhu et al. with the antibody taught by Kawamura et al. to measure Neu5Ac since using immunological alternative to measure a compound in the sample merely involves routine practice in the art.

Claims 1-21 fulfill the criteria set out in PCT Article 33(4), and thus the instant invention possesses industrial applicability because the subject matter claimed can be made or used in industry, such as clinical research.

NOTES TO FORM PCT/ISA/220

These Notes are intended to give the basic instructions concerning the filing of amendments under Article 19. The Notes are based on the requirements of the Patent Cooperation Treaty, the Regulations and the Administrative Instructions under that Treaty. In case of discrepancy between these Notes and those requirements, the latter are applicable. For more detailed information, see also the PCT Applicant's Guide, a publication of WIPO.

In these Notes, "Article," "Rule" and "Section" refer to the provisions of the PCT, the PCT Regulations and the PCT Administrative Instructions, respectively.

INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING AMENDMENTS UNDER ARTICLE 19

The applicant has, after having received the international search report and the written opinion of the International Searching Authority, one opportunity to amend the claims of the international application. It should however be emphasized that, since all parts of the international application (claims, description and drawings) may be amended during the international preliminary examination procedure, there is usually no need to file amendments of the claims under Article 19 except where, e.g. the applicant wants the latter to be published for the purposes of provisional protection or has another reason for amending the claims before international publication. Furthermore, it should be emphasized that provisional protection is available in some States only (see PCT Applicant's Guide, Volume I/A, Annexes B1 and B2).

The attention of the applicant is drawn to the fact that amendments to the claims under Article 19 are not allowed where the International Searching Authority has declared, under Article 17(2), that no international search report would be established (see PCT Applicant's Guide, Volume I/A, paragraph 296).

What parts of the international application may be amended?

Under Article 19, only the claims may be amended.

During the international phase, the claims may also be amended (or further amended) under Article 34 before the International Preliminary Examining Authority. The description and drawings may only be amended under Article 34 before the International Preliminary Examining Authority.

Upon entry into the national phase, all parts of the international application may be amended under Article 28 or, where applicable, Article 41.

When? Within 2 months from the date of transmittal of the international search report or 16 months from the priority date, whichever time limit expires later. It should be noted, however, that the amendments will be considered as having been received on time if they are received by the International Bureau after the expiration of the applicable time limit but before the completion of the technical preparations for international publication (Rule 46.1).

Where not to file the amendments?

The amendments may only be filed with the International Bureau and not with the receiving Office or the International Searching Authority (Rule 46.2).

Where a demand for international preliminary examination has been/is filed, see below.

How? Either by cancelling one or more entire claims, by adding one or more new claims or by amending the text of one or more of the claims as filed.

A replacement sheet must be submitted for each sheet of the claims which, on account of an amendment or amendments, differs from the sheet originally filed.

All the claims appearing on a replacement sheet must be numbered in Arabic numerals. Where a claim is cancelled, no renumbering of the other claims is required. In all cases where claims are renumbered, they must be renumbered consecutively (Section 205(b)).

The amendments must be made in the language in which the international application is to be published.

What documents must/may accompany the amendments?

Letter (Section 205(b)):

The amendments must be submitted with a letter.

The letter will not be published with the international application and the amended claims. It should not be confused with the "Statement under Article 19(1)" (see below, under "Statement under Article 19(1)").

The letter must be in English or French, at the choice of the applicant. However, if the language of the international application is English, the letter must be in English; if the language of the international application is French, the letter must be in French.

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The letter must indicate the differences between the claims as filed and the claims as amended. It must, in particular, indicate, in connection with each claim appearing in the international application (it being understood that identical indications concerning several claims may be grouped), whether

- (i) the claim is unchanged;
- (ii) the claim is cancelled;
- (iii) the claim is new;
- (iv) the claim replaces one or more claims as filed;
- (v) the claim is the result of the division of a claim as filed.

The following examples illustrate the manner in which amendments must be explained in the accompanying

- [Where originally there were 48 claims and after amendment of some claims there are 51]: Claims 1 to 29, 31, 32, 34, 35, 37 to 48 replaced by amended claims bearing the same numbers; claims 30, 33 and 36 unchanged; new claims 49 to 51 added.
- 2. [Where originally there were 15 claims and after amendment of all claims there are 11]: Claims I to 15 replaced by amended claims I to I1."
- 3. [Where originally there were 14 claims and the amendments consist in cancelling some claims and in adding "Claims I to 6 and 14 unchanged; claims 7 to 13 cancelled; new claims 15, 16 and 17 added." or new claims): "Claims 7 to 13 cancelled; new claims 15, 16 and 17 added; all other claims unchanged."
- 4. [Where various kinds of amendments are made]: "Claims 1-10 unchanged; claims 11 to 13, 18 and 19 cancelled; claims 14, 15 and 16 replaced by amended claim 14; claim 17 subdivided into amended claims 15, 16 and 17; new claims 20 and 21 added."

"Statement under Article 19(1)" (Rule 46.4)

The amendments may be accompanied by a statement explaining the amendments and indicating any impact that such amendments might have on the description and the drawings (which cannot be amended under Article 19(1)).

The statement will be published with the international application and the amended claims.

It must be in the language in which the international application is to be published.

It must be brief, not exceeding 500 words if in English or if translated into English.

It should not be confused with and does not replace the letter indicating the differences between the claims as filed and as amended. It must be filed on a separate sheet and must be identified as such by a heading, preferably by using the words "Statement under Article 19(1)."

It may not contain any disparaging comments on the international search report or the relevance of citations contained in that report. Reference to citations, relevant to a given claim, contained in the international search report may be made only in connection with an amendment of that claim.

Consequence if a demand for international preliminary examination has already been filed

If, at the time of filing any amendments and any accompanying statement, under Article 19, a demand for international preliminary examination has already been submitted, the applicant must preferably, at the time of filing the amendments (and any statement) with the International Bureau, also file with the International Preliminary Examining Authority a copy of such amendments (and of any statement) and, where required, a translation of such amendments for the procedure before that Authority (see Rules 55.3(a) and 62.2, first sentence). For further information, see the Notes to the demand form (PCT/IPEA/401).

If a demand for international preliminary examination is made, the written opinion of the International Searching Authority will, except in certain cases where the International Preliminary Examining Authority did not act as International Searching Authority and where it has notified the International Bureau under Rule 66.1 bis (b), be considered to be a written opinion of the International Preliminary Examining Authority. If a demand is made, the applicant may submit to the International Preliminary Examining Authority a reply to the written opinion together, where appropriate, with amendments before the expiration of 3 months from the date of mailing of Form PCT/ISA/220 or before the expiration of 22 months from the priority date, whichever expires later (Rule 43bis.1(c)).

Consequence with regard to translation of the international application for entry into the national phase

The applicant's attention is drawn to the fact that, upon entry into the national phase, a translation of the claims as amended under Article 19 may have to be furnished to the designated/elected Offices, instead of, or in addition to, the translation of the claims as filed.

For further details on the requirements of each designated/elected Office, see the PCT Applicant's Guide, Volume II.